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Hi Charles,

responses to additional questions:

1) We did complete the request from Brian Mueller (6WQ TMDL) to compare the elevated dioxin areas that they were finding in the watershed with SJRWP. The result (in this powerpoint and map) shows that essentially, the congeners are not the same. We shared these results back with Brian and also presented it at this meeting:



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2) The special CWA 404 and RHA 10 dredge permits and disposal boundary (around SJRWP) is still in effect and has been since November 2009. The boundary is being evaluated for change, pending the SJRWP Remedial Investigation.

3) Conditions associated with this boundary are still in effect as well. Jessica Franks (6WQ dredge management coordinator) has been updating us on their work with ODMDS and we also periodically check with 6WQ to see if TMDL requirements have been developed as well. \*Note: Don and I did attend a conference call that 6WQ had with USACE concerning their internal dredging operations in the HSC. At that call, there were discussions about what they were going to do with the disposal of dredge materials and USACE did inform that they did not interpret the special boundary or conditions (around SJRWP) to be applicable for their internal operations. I'm not sure what eventually resulted from that call.

Thanks,

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▼ Stephen Tzhone---03/28/2012 02:08:21 PM---Hi Charles, I attended and just sent the POHA scan of the attendees to Sharon (below).

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Hi Charles,

I attended and just sent the POHA scan of the attendees to Sharon (below).

For Superfund, Sam wanted us to look into developing MOUs with the Port on SJRWP and Patrick Bayou and to respond to community questions that were coming up at the SJRWP CEI public meetings.

Subsequently, for SJRWP, the MOU with the Port on SJRWP was developed and community FAQs were posted to:  
[http://www.epa.gov/region6/6sf/texas/san\\_jacinto/faqs.html](http://www.epa.gov/region6/6sf/texas/san_jacinto/faqs.html)

Thanks,

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▼ Stephen Tzhone---03/28/2012 01:44:56 PM---Here's a scan of the POHA sign in sheet, my contact there is Nicole Hausler, Port of Houston Senior

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Subject: Re: Attendees

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Here's a scan of the POHA sign in sheet, my contact there is Nicole Hausler, Port of Houston Senior Compliance Coordinator, 713.670.2683, [nhausler@poha.com](mailto:nhausler@poha.com)



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Thanks,

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▼ Sharon Parrish---03/28/2012 12:00:47 PM---Steve, do you have a list of all of the attendees at the April 24, 2011 meeting at the Port of Houston?

From: Sharon Parrish/R6/USEPA/US  
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Steve, do you have a list of all of the attendees at the April 24, 2011 meeting at the Port of Houston Authority's office? If, so, if you could send it to me, I would really appreciate it. Thanks.

▼ Charles Faultry---03/28/2012 09:42:18 AM---Wren: I did not attend this meeting. I am checking with Steven Tzhone to see if he attended.

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Wren:

I did not attend this meeting. I am checking with Steven Tzhone to see if he attended.

▼ Wren Stenger---03/27/2012 06:19:06 PM---Folks, did you attend the April 14, 2011, meeting with the USACE and the Port of Houston? Since Mi

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Folks, did you attend the April 14, 2011, meeting with the USACE and the Port of Houston? Since Miguel has retired and Sam has moved up, we need to reconstruct what happened at this meeting and determine what commitments, soft or firm, were made. It is reported that this is the meeting where the USACE committed to provide whatever data they had on its dredge materials.

If you attended this meeting, do you have any meetings notes? Please let me know. Thanks

I will sent a meeting invitation to follow this email for us to debrief Bill Honker and Pam Phillips on this meeting. Thanks

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